

Nakhon Sawan





Bueng Boraphet

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Chaophong-Chaomae Pak Nam Pho Procession

NAKHON SAWAN

Nakhon Sawan is located between the Central and Northern regions. The province, therefore, serves as a 'gateway to the Northern region,' as well as an important transportation centre of the lower Northern region. It is also a place where four main rivers; namely Ping, Wang, Yom, and Nan, converge. The convergence has become an origin of the country's great river, the Chao Phraya River. Furthermore, Thailand's largest freshwater lake or Bueng Boraphet is located here. Bueng Boraphet is abundant with species of plants and birds, and it provides a habitat for a hundred species of fish, for being a rich source of food. The province covers an area of around 9,597 sq km.

Boundary

North	- borders Kamphaeng Phet and Phichit.
East	- borders Lop Buri and Phetchabun.
South	- borders Chai Nat, Lop Buri, Sing Buri, and Uthai Thani.
West	- borders Tak.

HOW TO GET THERE

By car : From Bangkok, take Highway 1 and switch to Highway 32, past Ayutthaya, Ang Thong, Sing Buri, Chai Nat, and Uthai Thani, to reach Nakhon Sawan, a total distance of around 240 km.

By bus : The Transport Company Limited has a daily bus service from Bangkok to Nakhon Sawan departing from the Northern Bus Terminal (Mo Chit 2). The travel time is around 3 hours. For more information, contact the Northern Bus Terminal on Kamphaeng Phet 2 Road at Tel. 1490, or visit www.transport.co.th. Private bus service operators are Wiriya Tour Company, Tel. 0 2936 2945 and Than Chit Company, Tel. 0 2936 3214.

By train : There is a daily train service from the Bangkok Railway Station (Hua Lamphong). For more information, contact the Travel Service Unit at Tel. 1690, or the Nakhon Sawan Railway Station at Tel. 0 5625 5544 www.railway.co.th.

To travel to other districts in Nakhon Sawan, a bus service is available at the Nakhon Sawan Provincial Bus Terminal, Tel. 0 5622 2169.

In the town of Nakhon Sawan, there is a mini-bus service on several routes. The mini-bus station is opposite the Phiman Hotel, next to the Nakhon Sawan Bus Terminal.

Distances from Amphoe Mueang Nakhon Sawan to Other Districts

Amphoe Krok Phra	16	km.
Amphoe Kao Liao	22	km.
Amphoe Phayuha Khiri	28	km.
Amphoe Chum Saeng	39	km.
Amphoe Lat Yao	40	km.
Amphoe Banphot Phisai	45	km.
Amphoe Tha Tako	48	km.
Amphoe Takhli	68	km.
Amphoe Nong Bua	70	km.
Amphoe Tak Fa	71	km.
Amphoe Chum Ta Bong	73	km.
Amphoe Mae Poen	75	km.
Amphoe Phaisali	76	km.
Amphoe Mae Wong	90	km.

ATTRACTIONS

Amphoe Mueang Nakhon Sawan

Bueng Boraphet (บึงบอระเพ็ด)

Bueng Boraphet or Boraphet Marsh. It is the largest freshwater lake of Thailand, with a total area of around 132,737 rai covering three districts; namely, Mueang Nakhon Sawan, Tha Tako, and Chum Saeng. In the past, it was called the 'northern sea' or the 'great lake' because there was an abundance of animals and aquatic plants. According to a survey, 148 species of animals and 44 species of plants were found. Rare species ever found here were white-eyed river-martin and Siamese tiger fish. During January to March, a great number of grebes usually migrate to this lake. Local birds are purple swamphen, pheasant-winged Jacana, and Asian openbill which will lay eggs from July to March. Some part of the lake has been declared a non-hunting area. The lake is under the supervision of the Wildlife Conservation Office. It also serves as a breeding ground of fish, with the Bueng Boraphet Freshwater Fishery Development Station established by the Fishery Department. The New Aquarium built to celebrate the Auspicious Occasion of His Majesty the King's 80th Birthday. There are rooms and tents also available within the area.

To get there: From the town of Nakhon Sawan, there are several routes to reach Bueng Boraphet:-

By boat From the riverine municipal market of the Municipality of Mueang Nakhon Sawan, take a boat upstream for around 6 km to Khlong Nong Duk which is the entrance canal to Bueng Boraphet. Then, go along under the rail bridge to reach the lake.



Bueng Boraphet

By car It is accessible from two directions:-

1. From the north of the lake. From the town of Nakhon Sawan, follow Highway 225 (Nakhon Sawan - Chum Saeng) for around 9 km. Turn right for another 2 km toward the Bueng Boraphet Freshwater Fishery Development Station (สถานีพัฒนาประมงน้ำจืดบึงบอระเพ็ด). Here, there is the Freshwater Fishery Research and Development Centre (ศูนย์วิจัยและพัฒนาประมงน้ำจืด) with aquariums of various species of fish; such as, Siamese giant carp, white-edge freshwater whip ray, giant seaperch, black ear catfish, Jullien's golden-price carp, etc. It is open for free admission from 8.30 a.m. - 4.30 p.m. on weekdays, and from 9.00 a.m. - 4.30 p.m. on weekends, Tel. 0 5623 0183. Furthermore, there is a breeding pond of crocodiles and a long-tailed boat service. A small boat can take 5 persons, excluding a driver, at a price of 300 Baht. A large boat can accommodate 10 persons and costs 400 Baht. The boat cruises along the lake to Ko Lat. The return trip takes about one hour. Food can be brought on board the boat. The boat service is available from 8.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. A morning cruise from 8.00 a.m.- 9.00 a.m. has a good chance to see birds. For more information, contact the Bueng Boraphet Freshwater Fishery Development Station at Tel. 0 5622 1561.

2. From the south of the lake. From the town of Nakhon Sawan, take Highway 3001 (Nakhon Sawan - Tha Tako) for around 20 km and turn left to follow a direction sign for another 4 km to reach the Waterfowl Park (อุทยานนกน้ำ) or Bueng Boraphet Wildlife Sanctuary (เขตรักษาพันธุ์สัตว์ป่าบึงบอระเพ็ด). Here, nature trails are provided. A recreational park lies in the area of the wildlife sanctuary office. Many birds can be seen. A long-tailed boat service is available for visitors to cruise along the lake. A charter boat fee is 200 Baht per hour. There is also an accommodation service. For more information, contact the Bueng Boraphet Wildlife Sanctuary or the Bueng Boraphet Wildlife Conservation Development and Promotion Station, where the Nakhon Sawan Bird-watching Club is located, at Tel. 0 5630 0040. It is open daily from 8.30 a.m. - 4.30 p.m. www.bungborapped.net



Wat Chom Khiri Nak Phrot or Wat Khao

Wat Chom Khiri Nak Phrot or Wat Khao (วัดจอมคีรีนาคพรต หรือ วัดเขา)

Wat Chom Khiri Nak Phrot or Wat Khao is located on top of Buat Nak Mountain, between the Dechatiwong Bridge and the Chiraprawat Camp. According to legend, following the second destruction of the Ayuttaya Kingdom, the Burmese army built this temple to show their respect for Buddhism. Interesting things of the temple are the Lord Buddha's footprint and the Ubosot (ordination hall) called by villagers as 'Bot Thewada Sang' (literally meaning the ordination hall built by a deity). In the twelfth lunar month of every year, a 'Wat Khao' (mountain temple) fair is held to pay homage to and cover the footprint with gold leaf. Apart from celebrations like those at temple fairs in general, a long boat race is also held here. A nice distant view of the Dechatiwong Bridge, Chao Phraya River, and Kop Mountain can be seen from on top of Buat Nak Mountain.

To get there: Take Highway 32 (Asian Highway) and turn left before the Dechatiwong Bridge toward the temple, around 1 km from the town of Nakhon Sawan.

Sawan Park (อุทยานสวรรค์)

Sawan Park is a large public park in the Municipality of Mueang Nakhon Sawan, and popular among visitors for recreation. The park covers an area of 314 rai, near the Chiang Mai - Phitsanulok junction on the Asian Highway. Initially, it was a gigantic swamp called 'Nong Sombun.' The park is surrounded by a two-layered ring road. In the centre of the park lies a 4-rai island with small gardens, grassland, fountains, an open-air stage, and waterfalls. Along the bank opposite the island, a health park is provided. At the front, the park is beautifully designed. Bathrooms and dressing rooms are available for use by visitors.



Sawan Park

Chaopho Thepharak - Chaomae Thapthim Shrine

(ศาลเจ้าพ่อเทพารักษ์ - เจ้าแม่ทับทิม)

Chaopho Thepharak - Chaomae Thapthim Shrine is located in the Pak Nam Pho Community on the right bank of the Chao Phraya River. The shrine is a place of worship and a spiritual centre of the villagers, as well as travellers along the river. The origin of the Chao Phraya River can be seen clearly from the front of the shrine.

To get there: Take Highway 225 (Nakhon Sawan – Chum Saeng), around 3 km from town. The shrine is on the left. Alternatively, use a ferry service from a market in front of the embankment. A boat is available from 5.00 a.m. – 7.00 p.m.

The Origin of the Chao Phraya River *(ต้นแม่น้ำเจ้าพระยา)*

Nakhon Sawan is known as the origin of the Chao Phraya River since the Ping River flows to merge with the Nan River at Tambon Pak Nam Pho in front of the embankment in town. At the convergence point, a difference of the two rivers can be observed; the Nan River is reddish while the Ping River is greenish. The two rivers have become the main river of Thailand called 'Chao Phraya,' flowing through provinces in the Central region to reach Bangkok and flow into the



Chaopho Thepharak-Chaomae Thapthim Shrine



Wat Kriangkrai Klang



Wat Si Sawan Sangkharam or Wat Thue Nam

Gulf of Thailand at Samut Prakan. The river flows for around 370 km. The origin of the Chao Phraya River can be best seen from the front of the Chaopho Thepharak - Chaomae Thapthim Shrine.

For a boat ride to admire the scenery along the banks of the Chao Phraya River and pay homage to Luangpho To at Wat Pak Nam Pho (Wat Thong Thammachat Nuea), visitors can hire a boat from the Chao Phraya Pier.

Wat Kriangkrai Klang (วัดเกรียงไกรกลาง)

Wat Kriangkrai Klang is located in Tambon Kriangkrai by the Nan River. The temple has a Sukhothai - styled bronze Buddha image in the posture of subduing Mara. An old Wihan (image hall) was built between 1857 and 1887. It is the only building which has not yet been renovated. Inside, a replica of the Lord Buddha's footprint is enshrined, and mural paintings depict the life story of the Lord Buddha or Jataka.

The principal Buddha image in the image hall is Luangpho Samrit, a Buddha image in the posture of subduing Mara, which has an interesting history. Back to the period of decline, the Sukhothai kingdom was threatened by wars. The Buddha image was put on a raft to float down the river. The raft capsized when it reached the mouth of the Kriangkrai River. The image was retrieved from the water and plastered with mortar to save it from the risk of war. Then, in 1604 (at the beginning of the Ayutthaya period) a temple was built by villagers on the place where the image had been enshrined, and the image was hidden inside a wall of the Ubosot (ordination hall). Hundreds of years passed and no one knew about the image. In 1968, repairs were done on the walls of the ordination hall and a plain mortar Buddha image was found. Later, the mortar surface broke and the inner bronze image was uncovered.

There is a flock of monkeys and a crocodile farm in front of the temple. The old Wihan is normally open at a specific time. However, it can be opened by request from visitors.

To get there: Take Highway 225 (Nakhon Sawan - Chum Saeng) for around 10 km and turn left to follow a direction sign for another 2 km, a total distance of around 12 km from town. Alternatively, hire a boat from the Chao Phraya Pier to cruise along the Nan River and disembark at the Wat Kriangkrai Klang Pier.

Wat Si Sawan Sangkharam or Wat Thue Nam (วัดศรีสุวรรณสังฆาราม หรือ วัดถือน้ำ)

Wat Si Sawan Sangkharam or Wat Thue Nam is located in Tambon Nakhon Sawan Ok, 4 km from town on Phahonyothin Road (Nakhon Sawan - Bangkok) toward the Chiraprawat Camp. It is a historical ancient temple where the ceremony for civil servants to swear an

oath of allegiance to the king took place in the past. The principal Buddha image in an old Ubosot (ordination hall) is over one hundred years old. In 1976, Their Majesties accompanied by their two royal children went to this temple to preside over the boundary - marking stone ceremony for a new ordination hall. Additionally, a pulpit believed to have been presented by King Rama V was also found here. A museum of ancient utensils lies in the Chedi in commemoration of the Fiftieth Anniversary (Golden Jubilee) of His Majesty's Accession to the Throne. This temple can be considered as one of the oldest temples, which is worth a historical study.

To get there: Take Highway 32 (Asian Highway), and turn left toward the Chiraprawat Camp on Highway 3001 for around 2 km. There are direction signs throughout the way, a total distance of around 3 km from town.

Wat Woranat Banphot or Khao Kop (วัดวรรณาบรพต หรือ เขากบ)

Wat Woranat Banphot or Khao Kop is an ancient temple of Nakhon Sawan on top of and along a hillside of Kop Mountain, around 185.5 m. above sea level. There are two ascending ways: by a flight of 439 steps or an asphalt road with twisted bends to reach the mountaintop where there are ancient objects such as the Lord Buddha's footprint and a Chedi built in the Sukhothai period containing the Lord



Wat Woranat Banphot or Khao Kop



Wat Nakhon Sawan

Buddha's relics. Another large Chedi from the Sukhothai period is on the hillside. The Fine Arts Department inscribed the temple's history on the base of this Chedi. In 1966, it was promoted by the Religious Affairs Department and the Sangha Supreme Council to be a development model temple. Furthermore, a cast Buddha image called Luangpho Thong which is respected by the people of Nakhon Sawan is enshrined in a Wihan (image hall) near the large pagoda. On a nearby hill, there is a relay station of television channels 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11 for broadcasting from Bangkok to provinces in the North.

To get there: Take Highway 32 (Asian Highway) and turn right to Highway 1 toward the Mueang Nakhon Sawan Municipality Office. Turn left before the Municipality to follow a road leading up to Kop Mountain. It is around 1 km from town.

Wat Nakhon Sawan or Wat Hua Mueang (วัดนครสวรรค์ หรือ วัดหัวเมือง)

Wat Nakhon Sawan or Wat Hua Mueang is located on Sawan Withi Road at the mouth of Soi 27 within the fence of Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University. Here, there are Buddha images of great forgiveness, featuring two ancient Buddha images turning their backs against each other at the back of the Ubosot (ordination hall) on Thap Sittichai Road. One image faces East and the other faces West. According to history, the two images were built by the Burmese as a memorial of their troops arrival at Nakhon Sawan. Turning a back in that posture may signify forgiveness and no further revenge. Inside the ordination hall, Luangpho Si Sawan, a Buddha image which has been worshipped by the people of Nakhon Sawan, is enshrined.

Cultural Hall of Nakhon Sawan (หอวัฒนธรรมจังหวัดนครสวรรค์)

Cultural Hall of Nakhon Sawan is located in the area of Nakhon Sawan Rajabhat University in Tambon Nakhon Sawan. It is a beautiful two-storey building in applied Thai architecture with three porches. It



Chansen Ancient City and Chansen Museum

serves as a centre of archaeological, cultural, and historical information of the province. There is an exhibition hall displaying cultural evolution and archaeological sites. Furthermore, art and cultural performances are presented in a theatre with a capacity of 110 seats. This cultural hall was completed in June 1992. HRH Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn presided over the opening ceremony of the hall on 17 August 1992. It is open daily from 9.00 a.m. - 3.00 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, Tel. 0 5621 9100 - 29 ext. 1190 - 1.

Tham Bo Ya or Wat Thap Nimit Song Tham (ถ้ำบ่อยา หรือ วัดเทพนิมิตทรงธรรม)

Stairs from the foot of the hill lead the way up to a cave. The cave is spacious and divided into three sections. A large principal Buddha image is enshrined in the first part. The second part is deeper and leads to a dead end where a well of celestial water considered by villagers as a sacred medicine well lies. The third part has a path to exit from the cave. Electric lighting is provided throughout the cave.

To get there: Tham Bo Ya or Bo Ya Cave is located in Muban Hin Kon, Tambon Nong Krot, around 30 km from town. Take Highway 1 from Nakhon Sawan to Kamphaeng Phet for around 15 km. Turn left at the

T-junction to follow Highway 1072 (Nong Ben - Lat Yao) for around 1 km. Turn left to follow a direction sign to Wat Tham Bo Ya on a dirt road for around 6 km.

Amphoe Takhli

Chansen Ancient City and Chansen Museum (เมืองโบราณ จันเสน และ พิพิธภัณฑ์จันเสน)

Chansen Ancient City and Chansen Museum are located at Mu 2, Tambon Chansen. It was presumed that Chansen had been a city in the Dvaravati period. In the area of the city, a moat with an earth mound was formed in the shape of a rectangle with curved corners. The surrounding moat was around 20 m wide. At present, it is seen as a low area holding water, but with some evident traces of the old moat. The city is around 800 m long and 700 m wide, covering an area of over 300 rai. Since the interior ground of the moat is higher than the exterior area, the high land is called 'Khok' Chansen by villagers.

Many ancient objects were excavated in the city. Those made of pottery included votive tablets of the Buddha image, figurines, lamps, etc. Stone artefacts were lotus bases, wheels of law, and polished stone axes. There were also those made of metal including lead or tin earrings, and bronze spear blades. Presently, all the artefacts have been kept in the *Chansen Museum* (พิพิธภัณฑ์จันเสน) at Wat Chansen. The museum is open at weekends. For admission on weekdays, contact can be made to the temple. A guide service by voluntary youths from Wat Chansen School and Chansen Eng Suwan Anuson School to tour the ancient city and the museum is available. For more information, Tel. 0 5633 9115 - 6.

Furthermore, the Ban Chansen Group of Females uses a loom to weave cloth in the temple compound and a sales centre has been established here for their products which are mostly cotton, Chansen Mudmi-styled tie-dyed cloth, and cloth with tie-dyed patterns.

To get there: From Bangkok, take Highway 32 and turn left to In Buri (Highway 11). Turn right to Highway 3196 and turn left at Wat Chansen's entrance sign for another 1 km. Cross a train track and turn left into the temple.

To get there: From Nakhon Sawan, take Highway 32 toward Chai Nat for around 52 km. Turn left to Highway 1 toward Amphoe Takhli for around 7 km. Turn right to Highway 3196 for around 28 km and turn right again before a train track for another 1 km.



Khao Tham Phra



Wat Tham Phon Sawan

Amphoe Tak Fa

Wat Tham Phon Sawan (วัดถ้ำพรสวรรค์)

Wat Tham Phon Sawan is located in Tambon Lam Phayon on an asphalt road, 105 km from the town of Nakhon Sawan, or at Km 224 on Highway 1 (Tak Fa - Khok Samrong) on the left side, around 10 km from the Tak Fa District Office. It was a dense jungle. Nowadays, Buddhist devote themselves and donate money to manage the area to be an ecology site properly.

Namtok Wang Nam Wing (น้ำตกวังน้ำวัง)

Namtok Wang Nam Wing is located in Tambon Lam Phayon, around 100 km from the town of Nakhon Sawan. Take the Tak Fa - Khok Samrong route and, around 2 km before Wat Tham Phon Sawan, turn left for around 700 m. This waterfall has originated from underground water seepage which comes out on the earth's surface and flows down beautifully in three layers. It has water all year round amidst shady and pleasantly cool surroundings. For more information, contact the Tak Fa District Office at Tel. 0 5624 1820.

Amphoe Krok Phra

Khao Tham Phra (เขาถ้ำพระ)

Khao Tham Phra is located at Mu 8, Tambon Noen Sala. From the foot of a hill, a concrete staircase of around 100 steps leads the way up to the mouth of a cave. Stalactites and stalagmites can be seen with Buddha images in the cave. During the Songkran Festival, many villagers will bring flowers, joss sticks, and candles to pay homage to the images. A scenic view of Amphoe Krok Phra can be seen from the hilltop.

To get there: Take Highway 3005 (Nakhon Sawan - Amphoe Krok Phra) for around 16 km. Turn right to follow the Krok Phra - Thap Than route for around 10 km. Turn left to take a dirt road toward Tham Phra (Phra Cave) for around 4 km. From the town of Nakhon Sawan, it is a total distance of around 30 km.



Wat Bang Mafo

To get there: Take Highway 3005 (Nakhon Sawan - Krok Phra) for around 9 km and turn right toward Wat Bang Pramung for around 7 km. A total distance from the town of Nakhon Sawan is around 20 km.

Wat Bang Mafo (วัดบางมะฝ่อ)

It is an ancient temple built in the late Ayutthaya period. One interesting thing is the Ubosot (ordination hall). Its doors and windows feature entrance guardians. Inside, there are mural paintings depicting the Lord Buddha's incarnations or Jatakas. In a Wihan (image hall), pictures of the Lord Buddha's life were painted by artists in the past. Here, the principal Buddha image in the posture of subduing Mara is unusually seen with an ecclesiastical fan. The Lord Buddha's footprint in the image hall is very beautiful. A temple fair is held on the ninth and tenth days of the waning moon in the eleventh lunar month of every year.

To get there: Take Highway 3005 (Nakhon Sawan - Krok Phra), around 3 km from the Krok Phra District Office.

Amphoe Banphot Phisai

Khao No - Khao Kaeo (เขาน้อย - เขาก้าว)

Khao No - Khao Kaeo is located in Tambon Ban Daen, Amphoe Banphot Phisai, on Highway 1 or Phahonyothin Road (Nakhon Sawan



Khao No – Khao Kaeo

- Kamphaeng Phet route), around 45 km from the town of Nakhon Sawan or around 18 km from the Banphot Phisai District Office. Khao No is a limestone hill and Wat Khao No is located at the foot of the hill. A staircase leads the way up to the hilltop where good views can be seen. At the entrance of a cave before the staircase lies a giant reclining Buddha image. Once on a royal visit along the Ping River, King Rama V stayed overnight here. Later, the province established a statue of King Rama V as a memorial of his visit. There are troops of monkeys at the foot of the hill. They wait for feed from visitors. At the evening, flights of bats living in the cave fly to feed; they look like a long black line painted in the sky. Khao Kaeo is in a nearby area where many bats can be seen to go out in the evening as well.

Amphoe Phayuha Khiri

Mueang Boran Khok Mai Den (เมืองโบราณโคกไม้เดน)

Mueang Boran Khok Mai Den is located in Tambon Tha Nam Oi. Traces of earth mound walls identify that this is an ancient city of the Sukhothai period. An over-1,000-year sculpture of the elephant 'Phaya Chatthan' was excavated here by officials of the Fine Arts Department. The word 'Mai Den' refers to the name of a tree. People of



Mueang Boran Khok Mai Den

the old days called Ban Khok Mai Den 'Mueang Bon,' which was built in the Dvaravati period (5th - 10th century). The city of Mueang Bon was in the shape of an oval looking like a conch. It was approximately 250 m long and 600 m wide. The city wall is similar to that of Mueang Nakhon Pathom, Nakhon Ratchasima's Mueang Sema, and Chon Buri's Mueang Phaya Rae.

Amphoe Phaisali

Mueang Kao Wesali (เมืองเก่าเวสาลี)

This old city was surveyed by the Fine Arts Department in 1968. The city plan was rectangular with curved corners. There were double enclosure earth walls, having an in-between moat of approximately 700 m long and 500 m wide. Presumably, the city was built in the Dvaravati period. A community was settled on a basin with flowing water. Evidence from the excavation in 1996, ancient monuments to the east of the city were in the late Ayutthaya style of art, consisting of the Ubosot (ordination hall), Mondop (square building), Wihan (image hall), and Chedi (pagoda). The study of the archaeological soil layers identified that a community had existed before the old city of Wesali was established. The community was here since the late pre-historical period and developed into the one with a moat and mound in the Dvaravati period.

The city of Wesali was a small outpost of the Kingdom of Lawo in Suvarnabhumi land. Ruins of ancient things were found, such as Phra Prang (corn-shaped pagoda), a library building, and a Buddha image of ancient Khmer craftsmanship. During 557 – 857, the Khmer people were in power and flourished in Suvarnabhumi and other independent states at that time; namely, Khotrabun, Yonok, and Dvaravati. The Kingdom of Lawo became the Khmer capital. Wesali was built in that period and was a city of the same age as Sukhothai, Nakhon Yonok, O-kha Buri and Si Thep; all of them were established as outpost cities of the Kingdom of Lawo.

Later, Wesali was ruled by the Kingdom of Sukhothai and left deserted for around 400 years. In 1656, King Narai the Great - the 28th king of the Ayutthaya Kingdom, renovated the city of Lawo as another capital and renamed it 'Lopburi.' He considered that major towns in conflict in the North would not be in peace easily since they were backed by Burma. Lying on a basin that was good for rice farming as well as a strategic point to set up an outpost to protect the kingdom from enemies in the North, the city of Wesali was, therefore, restored.

To get there: From Amphoe Tak Fa, take Highway 3330 and turn right between Km 27 and Km 28 to follow the Ban Nong Phai - Ban Khok

Charoen route. At the first curve, go up for around 1 km. The city of Wesali is on the right.

Lord Buddha's Footprint (รอยพระพุทธรบาท)

It features a piece of greenish carved slate. Presumably, the footprint was built in the reign of King Lithai in the Sukhothai period. According to records, the footprint was invited from the Ayutthaya Kingdom during the reign of King Narai the Great, with some people having been assigned to re-build the city of Wesali. The footprint was enshrined on a hilltop. A Wihan (image hall) was later constructed to cover the hilltop. This place has become the location of Wat Phra Phutthabat in Tambon Samrong Chai nowadays.

Phrakhru Nimutphatthanathon, the present abbot, discovered another footprint in the temple area. It was imprinted on a piece of stone and covered by a Mondop (square building). The Lord Buddha's relics were contained in the Mondop's top. This Mondop also won an award for outstanding architecture from the Association of Siamese Architects (ASA) in 1994. An area around the path where visitors walk to pay homage to the Lord Buddha's relics was presumed to have been the base of an old Chedi.

To get there: Take the same way to Mueang Kao (the Ban Nong Phai-Ban Khok Charoen route). Wat Phra Putthabat is around 5 km after a junction to Mueang Kao.

Wat Pho Prasat Archaeological Site (แหล่งโบราณคดีวัดโพธิ์ประสาท)

Wat Pho Prasat Archaeological Site is located in Tambon Pho Prasat. It was excavated by the Fine Arts Department during 1976 - 1993. Metal and pottery utensils of an ancient community dated back to the late pre-historical period were found here. The community had developed into the one with a moat and mound in the Dvaravati period. Metal utensils excavated here were over 2,000 years old; for example, ancient spear heads in the art of a pre-historical period. Pottery including pots, lamps, spindle whorls, etc., as well as ornaments, such as shell bracelets, were in the art of the Dvaravati period around the 7th - 11th century.

To get there: From Amphoe Phaisali, take Highway 3330 and turn right at the Ban Pho Prasat security box between Km 9 - 8.

Pa Phaisali (ป่าไพศาลี)

It is a forest on the Soi Dao range in the national forest reserves of Pa Khao Khok, Pa Khao Lom Nang, and Pa Khao Soi Dao, covering an area of around 38,000 rai. The landscape features high and steep mountains with the highest being 558 m. The forest includes areas in three provinces; namely, Nakhon Sawan, Phetchabun, and Lop Buri.

There is beautiful nature and natural attractions, such as Namtok Sap Sombun in the 100-year-old arboretum, Namtok Sap Yai, the mountaintop of Soi Dao in the district of Ban Khao Khiao, etc. The forested area comprises mixed deciduous forest, deciduous dipterocarp forest, dry evergreen forest, and savanna. Thus, there is a diversity of ecosystems. It has also become wildlife habitats, as well as a beautiful venue for a nature study. Viewpoints on the mountaintop offer a panoramic view. There is a camping site on the mountaintop of Soi Dao to admire the impressive sunrise and sunset. During the cool season, the cold weather is ideally suited for visitors who love a challenge.

There are nature study trails from Namtok Sap Sombun to Namtok Sap Yai, as part of ecotourism for visitors to learn and get various experiences, as well as admire the beauty of nature. The trails cover a range of distance from 7 - 15 km, and take 1 - 3 days for trekking subject to visitors' demand. The appropriate period for visiting is during July - December. For more information, contact the 100-year-old arboretum, Mu 6, Tambon Wang Khoi, Amphoe Phaisali, Nakhon Sawan 60220

Luangpho Dam Buddhist Monument (พุทธศาสนสถานหลวงพ่อดำ)

Luangpho Dam is a Buddha image enshrined in Wat Sa Thale, Tambon Khok Duea. The Fine Arts Department presumed that the image was built in the Sukhothai period and over 700 years old. Initially, three Buddha images were found in the forest by villagers. At present, only one of them is left and called Luangpho Dam Wat Sa Thale.

To get there: From Amphoe Nong Bua, take Highway 11 and turn left to Highway 3004. Drive on for around 8 km and turn left at the entrance to Wat Khok Duea for around 2 km.

Note: For more information on tourism attractions in Amphoe Phaisali, contact the Tourist Information Centre, Administration Section, Amphoe Phaisali, Tel. 0 5625 9272, 0 5635 2133

Amphoe Mae Wong

Mae Wong National Park (อุทยานแห่งชาติแม่วงก์)

It covers areas in two provinces; namely, Kamphaeng Phet and Nakhon Sawan. It is one of the most abundant forested areas of the Western Forest spreading from Tak to Kanchanaburi. The park has an area of around 558,750 rai. To the north, it borders the Khlong Lan National Park in Kamphaeng Phet. To the south, it connects to the Huai Kha Khaeng Wildlife Sanctuary in Uthai Thani, and to the west, it borders the Umphang Wildlife Sanctuary in Tak. It was declared a national park on 14 September 1987.



Mae Wong National Park

Most of the forests in the park are mixed deciduous forest, evergreen forest, and deciduous dipterocarp forest. There are very many important and valuable species of plants, such as teak, Pradu, Makha Mong, Yang Daeng, Teng, Rang, etc. Rare wildlife can also be seen, such as wild elephant, gaur, tiger, deer, barking deer, bear, marbled cat, and birds of more than 305 species from 53 families. Some bird species can only be found in a few places in Thailand, such as crested king fisher, Rufous-necked hornbill, white-rumped shama, green-eared barbet, long-tailed broadbill, etc. The best time for a visit is in the cool season during November to February.

The highest mountain is Mokochu, which is also the highest one of the forested land of the West. It is around 38 km from the park's headquarters, and visitors who love trekking and climbing want to visit this mountaintop at the height of 1,964 m. The Karen word 'Mokochu' means 'it seems to rain.' It comes from the fact that the mountaintop is always blanketed with cloud and mist, and the weather there is very cool all the time. Visitors are recommended to prepare their physical fitness to climb up a gradient of no less than 60 degrees during a round trip of five days. An overnight stay is required at provided points. Furthermore, conditions of the route

and the weather should be studied. Contact guiding officials before making a decision to visit 'Mokochu.' The park welcomes a walk up to the mountaintop during November to February.

There are many attractions in the park. Most of them are located in the area of Kamphaeng Phet province near the headquarters, such as Chong Yen where the weather is very cool throughout the year. This is also an important venue for bird-watching. Rare birds found here are Rufous-necked hornbill, Burmese yuhina, long-tailed broadbill, greater yellowape, etc. Other attractions include *Kaeng Pha Nang Khoi*, *Namtok Nang Nuan*, *Kaeng Lan Nok Yung*, *Bo Nam Un*, viewpoints, etc. Attractions located in the area of Nakhon Sawan province are as follows:-

Namtok Mae Rewa or Namtok Mae Liwa (น้ำตกแม่เฒ่า หรือ น้ำตกแม่ลีวา)

Namtok Mae Rewa or Namtok Mae Liwa is around 200 m high. This five-tiered waterfall has water flowing almost around the year.

Namtok Mae Krasa (น้ำตกแม่กระสา)

Namtok Mae Krasa is a nine-tiered waterfall with a height of 900 m. It receives water from streams flowing along forested areas in the



Thung Hin Thoen

upper part of the Thanon Thong Chai range. The waterfall is located around 30 km from the park headquarters. It is accessible on foot. A round trip takes about 3 - 4 days.

Namtok Mae Ki (น้ำตกแม่กิ๊)

Namtok Mae Ki is located in the same area as Namtok Mae Rewa and Namtok Mae Krasa. It has originated from the Thanon Thong Chai range. It is accessible on foot. A round trip takes about 3 - 4 days.

Note: To get to each of the waterfalls, contact must be made in advance to guiding officials of the park.

Mae Wong Whitewater Rafting (ล่องแก่งแม่วังง)

Difficulty is at the levels 2 - 3. It is available at the Mo Wo 4 (Mae Rewa) Ranger Station of the Mae Wong National Park. The raft will go along very beautiful curves of the Mae Wong River to end up at the Lan Nok Yung rapids in the area of the ranger station. The raft takes one and a half hours to cover a distance of around 7 km. The ranger station has accommodation and a camping site on offer for visitors. For more information, contact the Mo Wo 4 (Mae Rewa) Ranger Station of the Mae Wong National Park at Tel. 0 5623 9604, 08 1283 5474

Accommodation and Facilities are available at the park headquarters. For more information, contact the Mae Wong National Park on the Khlong Lan - Umphang Road, Km 65, Amphoe Khlong Lan, Kamphaeng Phet, at Tel. 0 5671 9010 -1, or the Department of National Parks, Wildlife and Plant Conservation, Tel. 0 2562 0760, or www.dnp.go.th.

To get there: There are two routes:-

1. From Nakhon Sawan, take Highway 1072 (Nakhon Sawan - Lat Yao-Khlong Lan), and switch to Highway 1117 (Khlong Lan - Umphang) to access the park headquarters at Km 65.
2. From Bangkok, take the Bangkok - Nakhon Sawan - Khong Wilai-Khlong Lan route and change to Highway 1117 (Khlong Lan - Umphang) to reach the park headquarters. A total distance from Bangkok to the Mae Wong National Park is about 386 km.

Thung Hin Thoen (ทุ่งหินเทิน)

Thung Hin Thoen is located at Wat Thung Hin Thoen, Mu 5, Tambon Pang Sawan. It features groups of giant overlapping boulders scattered around the area. Some rocks form an amazing position by means of sitting on a tiny space over another boulder. This is considered a natural stone park of unusual beauty.

To get there: From Nakhon Sawan, take Highway 3504. An entrance to the temple is on the left between Km 24 - 25.

Amphoe Mae Poen

Ban Tha Makrut Group of Cloth Weaving (กลุ่มทอผ้าบ้านท่ามะกรูด)

Ban Tha Makrut is located in Amphoe Mae Poen. Beautiful cotton with tie-dyed patterns in natural colour has been made by a group of housewives. There are also cloth products, such as handkerchief, bag, loincloth, ready-to-wear clothes, etc.

To get there: It is around 8 km from Amphoe Mae Poen. Take the Lat Yao - Mae Poen route and follow a right turn toward Wat Mae Kasi. From the town of Nakhon Sawan, it is about 83 km. Take a blue mini-bus plying between Lat Yao and Thanon Sut.

EVENTS AND FESTIVALS

Chaopho - Chaomae Pak Nam Pho Procession (งานประเพณีแห่เจ้าพ่อ - เจ้าแม่ปากน้ำโพ)

Chaopho - Chaomae Pak Nam Pho Procession is a traditional fair passed down from ancestors of Thais of Chinese origin who have lived in the town of Nakhon Sawan. Held every year during the Chinese New Year around January-February, the fair features processions of dragons, lions, Goddess (Chao Mae) Kwan Yin, Lo Kow, angels, deities and other performances to go along main roads in the Municipality of Mueang Nakhon Sawan. A procession of golden dragons of Nakhon Sawan is very famous for its beauty and exciting parade & shows attracts a number of visitors each year.

Long Boat Races for Royal Cups (ประเพณีการแข่งขันเรือยาวชิงถ้วยพระราชทานฯ)

Long Boat Races for Royal Cups is held during the end of the Buddhist Lent on the Chao Phraya River. A merit-making fair is held in front of Nakhon Sawan's City Hall for visitors and local people to pay homage to and cover Buddha images with gold leaf. Buddhist temples by or next to the river will bring their long boats to join the races as a manner to show unity and ability of their oarsmen.

Observing Evening Stars, Watching Morning Birds (เย็นดูดาว เช้าดูนก)

Observing Evening Stars, Watching Morning Birds is held during December-January at Bung Boraphet. There are birds migrate from the cold climate seeking warm weather at Bung Boraphet. The activities include observing sky's activities, astronomy exhibition, as well as knowledgeable lecturer to explain interested party on the object. There are boats and guides to take tourists to watch birds around Bung Boraphet. Tel: 0 5627 4525 www.bungboraphet.net



Khao No – Khao Kaeo

LOCAL PRODUCTS AND SOUVENIR SHOPS

Ban Mon Pottery (เครื่องปั้นดินเผาบ้านมอญ) Mu 1 Tambon Ban Kaeng Tel: 0 5636 2091

Ban Sakun Dao (บ้านสกุลดาว) 507 - 509 Kosi Road, Amphoe Mueang Nakhon Sawan, Tel. 0 5622 7996 (Milk or butter Chinese pastry, Moji pastry stuffed with bean and salty yolk, durian cake and salty yolk, or taro and salty yolk, open 8.00 a.m. - 7.00 p.m.)

Big Boss (บิ๊กบอส) 96/34 Phahonyothin Road, Amphoe Mueang Nakhon Sawan, Tel. 0 5622 1417, 0 5622 1625, open 7.00 a.m. - 10.00 p.m.

Chan Suwan (จันทร์สุวรรณ) 314/4 Sawan Withi Road, Amphoe Mueang Nakhon Sawan, Tel. 0 5622 1925, 0 5631 1487. Factory Tel. 0 5622 3686.

Chun Peng (ชุนเป้ง) 25 Soi Erawan, Wetsuwan Road, Amphoe Mueang Nakhon Sawan, Tel. 0 5622 2266, 0 5622 4772 (Preserved fruits in syrup).

Chitralada Royal Project Shop (ร้านจำหน่ายสินค้าโครงการส่วนพระองค์สวนจิตรลดา) 300 Mu 3 Tambon Nong Kradon, Tel. 08 1533 1214, 08 1953 8348, open 8.00 a.m. - 20.00 p.m.

Mae Kulap (แม่กุหลาบ) 105/7 Mu 15 (Talat Nong Ben), Tambon Nong Kradon, Amphoe Mueang Nakhon Sawan, Tel. 0 5629 6119, 0 5629 6120, 0 5629 6327 (Chinese pastry stuffed with bean and coconut meat in five scents, Moji pastry stuffed with crispy rice sweets and cashew nuts, or Miang (sweet crispy coconut), three - flavoured coated peanuts, open 8.00 a.m. - 8.00 p.m.).

Mochi M. M. (โมจิ เอ็ม เอ็ม) 23/23 Mu 10 Tambon Bang Mueang, Tel. 0 5627 6256, 08 1533 2600, open 7.00 a.m. - 8.00 p.m.

OTOP Center (ศูนย์แสดงและจำหน่ายสินค้า OTOP) 605 Mu 10 Tambon Nakhon Sawantok (in the bus terminal) Tel. 0 5637 1803, open 8.00 a.m. - 8.00 p.m.

Watthanaphon (วัดนพร) 1319/10-14 Asian Highway, Amphoe Mueang Nakhon Sawan, Tel. 0 5622 6136 (Chinese pastry stuffed with red bean and salty yolk, durian cake and salty yolk, or bean and salty yolk, Moji pastry in twelve flavours, open 7.30 a.m. - 9.00 p.m.).

INTERESTING ACTIVITIES

Golf Courses

Chira Prawat Camp (ค่ายจิรประวัติ) is located in Amphoe Mueang Nakhon Sawan. The Chira Prawat golf course with 18 holes and 72 par is open for outsiders. For more information, Tel. 0 5625 5551, daily from 8.30 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. Furthermore, a mountain bike field is available together with a rental service of mountain bikes, and a basic introduction tip on how to ride is provided by official staff. For enquiries, Tel. 0 5625 5141. Inside the camp, the **Mo Tho Bo 31 Museum** (พิพิธภัณฑ์ มทบ. 31) displays ancient weapons, pictures of historic military events, etc. More activities are tower jumping and cliff climbing. For further details, contact the Chira Prawat Camp at Tel. 0 5625 5348 during office hours: 8.30 a.m. - 4.30 p.m.

To get there: From Bangkok, take Highway 32. It is around 240 km. on the left.

Spas

Busabawadee Spa (บุษาวดี สปา) 2nd floor Rattawet Hospital Tel. 0 5621 0150 Fax. 0 5621 2164, open weekday 10.00 a.m. - 9.00 p.m., weekend 9.00 a.m. - 9.00 p.m.

Grand Hill Spa (แกรนด์ ฮิลล์ สปา) 6th floor, Grand Hill Resort & Spa
Hotel Tel. 0 5631 0845 - 8 ext. 601

Example of Tour Programme for Ecotourism and Birdwatching

Day I

8.00 a.m.	Depart from Bangkok.
11.30 a.m.	Arrive in Nakhon Sawan.
12.00 a.m.	Have lunch in Nakhon Sawan.
1.30 p.m.	Cruise along the Ping River to observe the local way of life and disembark at Wat Kriangkrai Klang to admire mural paintings (A bus waits at the temple to continue the trip).
3.30 p.m.	Visit the Bueng Boraphet Aquarium at the Freshwater Fishery Station.
5.30 p.m.	Check in at the Bueng Boraphet Waterfowl Park.
6.00 p.m.	Have dinner.
7.00 p.m.	Learn how to use binoculars and be educated on species of bird by the Bueng Boraphet Bird watching Club.

Day II

6.30 a.m.	Get on a boat to see lotus flowers in the morning and practise using binoculars to watch birds taking their morning meal in the Boraphet Lake.
8.30 a.m.	Have breakfast.
9.30 a.m.	Proceed to Khao Kop, Wat Khao Woranat Banphot to see the Lord Buddha's footprint, the Chedi from the Sukhothai period where the Lord Buddha's relics have been enshrined, and a scenic view of the town of Nakhon Sawan.
11.00 a.m.	Buy souvenirs of Nakhon Sawan.
12.00 a.m.	Have lunch.
1.30 p.m.	Leave for Bangkok.
5.00 p.m.	Arrive in Bangkok.



FACILITIES IN NAKHON SAWAN

Accommodations

(Note: The room rates mentioned in this brochure may be changed without notice. Please ask for current information from each hotel before making reservation.)



Mueang Nakhon Sawan

Amphoe Mueang Nakhon Sawan

Anodat (อินดาด) 479 Kosi Road, (Tel: 0 5622 1844 - 8, 0 5631 2585, Fax: 0 5622 1847), 120 rooms: 360 - 450 baht

Asia Nakhon Sawan (เอเชีย นครสวรรค์) 1017/4 Mu 9 Tambon Sawan Tok, (Tel: 0 5637 2222, Fax: 0 5623 6666), 57 rooms: 550 - 600 baht

Ban Luk Mu (บ้านลูกหมู) 72 Mu 10 Matuli Road, (Tel: 0 5637 2373 - 6, Fax: 0 5637 2377), 45 rooms, 350 - 390 baht

Ban Suan Resort (บ้านสวน รีสอร์ท) 1016/175 - 178 Mu 9 Tambon Sawan Tok, (Tel: 0 5633 3400 - 3, Fax: 0 5633 3399), 65 rooms: 600-1,200 baht

Beverly Hills Park (เบเวอร์ลี่ ฮิลล์ ปาร์ค) 156/4 Mu 13 Ammarin Withi Road, Tambon Wat Sai, (Tel: 0 5633 6809 - 10, 0 5621 6394 - 6, Fax: 0 5621 6397), 102 rooms: 500 - 700 baht

Garden Sweet Resort (การ์เดน สวีท รีสอร์ท) 19/9 Mu 10 Tambon Wat Sai, (Tel: 0 5635 5533), 50 rooms: 590 - 1,800 baht

Mai Hom Resort (ไม้หอม รีสอร์ท) ง.112/370 Daowadung Road, (Tel: 0 5622 0648 - 9, 0 5637 2244 - 5, Fax: 0 5622 2649), www.geocities.com/maihomresort_nsw, E-mail: maihomresort_nsw@yahoo.com, 137 rooms: 450 - 900 baht

Matuli (มาตุลี) 25 Suchada Road, (Tel: 0 5622 3954, 0 5622 5852, 0 5622 3496), 55 rooms: 230 - 380 baht

N S C (เอ็น เอส ซี) 135 Mu 10 Tambon Wat Sai, (Tel: 0 5687 2288, Fax: 0 5687 2149), 41 rooms: 700 - 1,400 baht

Nam Ping Resort (น้ำปิง รีสอร์ท) 234 Mu 7 Tambon Bang Muang, (Tel: 0 5623 1447 - 8, Fax: 0 5623 1449), 41 rooms: 390 - 450 baht

New Kasalong 2 (นิว กาสalong 2) Ammarin Withi Road, Tambon Pak Nam Pho, (Tel: 0 5621 3291), 23 rooms: 200 - 300 baht

P.A. Place (พี.เอ.เพลส) 276/4 Sawan Withi Road, (Tel: 0 5631 2298, Fax: 0 5631 1848), 78 rooms: 390 - 500 baht

Pen Nueng (เป็นหนึ่งใน) 249/7 - 8 Sawan Withi Road, (Tel: 0 5622 1763, 0 5622 2462, 0 5631 2731, Fax: 0 5631 2732), 50 rooms: 320 - 550 baht

Phanakap Resort (พนากาพย์ รีสอร์ท) 32/1 Mu 4 Tambon Takian Luan, (Tel: 0 5635 8211, 08 9704 5036), 11 rooms: 800 - 940 baht

Phiman (พิมาน) 605/244 Ekmahachai Road, Nakhon Sawan Department Store, (Tel: 0 5631 2217 - 36, Fax: 0 5622 1253), 284 rooms: 800-10,000 baht

Rachawadi Resort (ราชาวดี รีสอร์ท) 1141/16 Mu 10 Daowadung Road, (Tel: 0 5631 3742 - 3), 70 rooms: 390 - 600 baht

Royal View Resort (รอยัล วิว รีสอร์ท) 64 Mu 7 Tambon Wat Sai, (Tel: 0 5633 4634-5, Fax: 0 5633 4636), 24 rooms: 800 - 950 baht

Ruen Rom Mai (เรือนร่มไม้) (Tel: 0 5623 4282), 10 houses: 650-3,500 baht

Sak Thong Resort (สักทอง รีสอร์ท) 39 Mu 7 Nakhon Sawan-Kamphaeng Phet Road, (Tel: 08 6210 2233), 22 rooms: 600 - 2,500 baht

Sawan Nakhon (สรวรคั่นคร) 110/1 Sawan Withi Road, (Tel: 0 5621 2027, Fax: 0 5621 2768), 26 rooms: 230-320 baht

Star Inn (สตาร์ อินน์) 55/55 Daowadung Road, (Tel: 0 5622 2221, 0 5622 2151, 0 5622 2242), 50 rooms: 250-550 baht

Thai Wisanu (ไทยวิษณุ) 26-28 Attha Kawi Road, (Tel: 0 5621 3067-8, 0 5621 3932), 120 rooms: 250-600 baht

Ton Nam (ตันน้ำ) Nakhon Sawan Rajabhat University, Sawan Withi Road, (Tel: 0 5688 2520, 0 5621 9100 ext. 4100 Fax: 0 5637 2230), 25 rooms: 490 baht

Wang Nakhon (วังนคร) 42-48 Sukhimok Road, (Tel: 0 5622 1964), 60 rooms: 150-200 baht

Watchara (วัชร) 1016/10 Phahonyothin Road, (Tel: 0 5622 2263-4, 0 5633 4072-3), 111 rooms: 200-550 baht

Wisanu Inn (วิษณุ อินน์) 217 Matuli Road, (Tel: 0 5622 2938, 0 5622 2449), 44 rooms: 300-350 baht

Withi Thep (วิถิเทพ) 159/1 Sawan Withi Road, (Tel: 0 5622 2733, 0 5622 3997, 0 5622 8334-5), 79 rooms: 320-500 baht

Amphoe Takhli

Chat Chai (ฉัตรชัย) 206-8 Takhli Phatthana Road, (Tel: 0 5626 1108), 30 rooms: 200-400 baht

Phonsawat (พรสวัสดิ์) 135 Phra Sang Road, Tambon Takhli, (Tel: 0 5626 1022), 44 rooms: 120-300 baht

Suphawari (สุภาวารี) 7-9 Hatsanai Road, Tambon Takhli, (Tel: 0 25626 1276, 0 5631 5764), 10 rooms: 200-400 baht

Ton Sai (ตันไทร) 68-72/1 Phahonyothin Road, Tambon Takhli, (Tel: 0 5626 2093, 0 5626 2388), 40 rooms: 250 - 500 baht

Amphoe Chumsaeng

Kaeo Chai (แก้วชัย) 19-21 Saeng Sasithon Road, (Tel: 05628 2211), 15 rooms: 120-200 baht

Amphoe Phayuha Khiri

Country Lake Resort (Ban Rim Bueng) คันทรี เลค รีสอร์ท (บ้านริมบึง) 75 Mu 3 Tambon Nam Song, (Tel: 0 5620 5205-6, Fax: 0 5620 5204 Bangkok Office Tel: 0 2641 7433, Fax: 0 2641 7434), www.countrylake.net, 30 rooms: 1,200-1,500 baht



Amphoe Krok Phra

Suan Kaset Nanthana Resort (สวนเกษตรนันทนา รีสอร์ท) 34/2 Mu 6 Tambon Bang Pramung, (Tel: 0 5620 2109 - 10, 08 9271 0456, Fax: 0 5620 2110), 24 rooms: 500 - 2,000 baht

Amphoe Mae Poen

Resort Mo Chang Yai (รีสอร์ท หมอช้างใหญ่) 185 Mu 5 Tambon Mae Poen, (Tel: 0 4643 5016), 5 rooms: 300 - 1,000 baht

Restaurants

Amphoe Mueang Nakhon Sawan

Ban I san (บ้านอีสาน) 119/12 Mu 4 Tambon Nakhon Sawan Tok, Nakhon Sawan-Krok Phra Road, Tel: 0 5633 1190

Ban Na (บ้านนา) 919/1 Phahonyothin Road, Tel: 0 5622 2915

Ban Suan Resort (บ้านสวน รีสอร์ท) 1016/175-178 Mu 9 Tambon Nakhon Sawan Tok, Tel: 0 5633 3400-3



Kaeng Pha Nang Khoi, Mae Wong National Park

Cha Mu Chum (จำหมูจุ่ม) 162 Mu 4 Nakhon Sawan-Krok Phra Road, Tambon Nakhon Sawan Tok, Tel: 0 5633 0375

Chao Phraya Coffee Shop (เจ้าพระยา คอฟฟี่ชอป) 60/64 Soi Makkawan, Matuli Road, Tel: 0 5622 2008

Coffee Shop Phiman Hotel (คอฟฟี่ชอป โรงแรมพิมาน) 605/244 Mu 10 Ekmahachai Road, Tel: 0 5622 8201-10, 0 5631 2222

Fairly Menu (แฟร์รี่ เมนู) (Fairly Land Department Store), Tel: 0 5622 8260, 0 5622 8262

Gold Eagle (โกลด์อีเกิ้ล) in NSC Hotel, 135 Mu 10 Chakkrawan Road, Tel: 0 5622 8845-9

Hong Fa (หงส์ฟ้า) 66/3-5 Attha Kawi Road, Tel: 0 5621 4121-2, 0 5621 4000

Kanda (กานดา) Matuli Road, Behind Nakhon Sawan Hospital

Keson Beer House (เกษรเบียร์ เฮาส์) 30 Arak Road, Tel: 0 5621 3756, 0 5621 3456

Khrua Chali (ครัวชาลี) Opposite to Nakhon Sawan Kindengarten,
Kosi Tai Road, Tel: 0 5633 1502 - 3

Khrua Khun Chit (ครัวคุณจิต) 625/1 Mu 10 Phahonyothin Road,
Tel: 0 5622 3688

Ko Yi (ไก่อี้) 96/13 Mu 9 Tambon Nakhon Sawan Tok, Tel: 0 5622 1823,
0 5622 1485

Kung Pao 2 (กึ่งเผา ๒) 234 Mu 7 Tambon Bang Muang, Tel: 0 5623
1447-8

Lao Hong Suki (เล้าหงษ์ สุกี้) 179 Matuli Road, Tambon Paknam
Pho, Tel: 0 5631 2999, 0 5631 1204

Lotus (โลตัส) 1006/3 Mu 9 Phahonyothin Road, Tambon Sawan Tok,
Tel: 0 5622 5602

Luk Chin Pla Ko Niew (ลูกชิ้นปลาโกเนี้ยว) (Tetsaban Market) 10/5
Kosi 21 Road, Tel: 0 5622 2627

Mae Prayun (แม่ประยูร) จ. 81/14 Matuli Road, Tel: 08 1533 3747

Mae Somsri (แม่สมศรี) 96/13-14 Asia Road (opposite to Big C),
Tel: 0 5622 1604

Mai Chalu (ไม้ฉลุ) 261/1-2 Sawan Withi Road, Tel: 0 5622 6379 - 80

Mai Son (ไม้สน) Wachara Hotel, 1016/10 Phahonyothin Road, Tel:
0 5622 2263

Na Pha (หน้าผา) 88/5-6 Kosi Nuea Road, Tel: 0 5621 4629, 0 5621
3920

Nai Ti Luk Chin Pla Krai (นายตีลูกชิ้นปลากราย) 30/1 Sawan Withi
Road, Tel: 0 5621 4054

Ran Bueng Borapet 1 (ร้านบึงบอระเพ็ด ๑) near Bueng Borapet,
Tel: 08 6440 5469

Ran Bueng Borapet 2 (ร้านบึงบอระเพ็ด ๒) Nakhon Sawan-
Kamphaeng Phet Road, Tel: 08 9644 4238

Ran Ruean Thong Kham (ร้านเรือนทองคำ) Nakhon Sawan-
Kamphaeng Phet Road, Tel: 0 5634 5368

S and V (เอส แอนด์ วี) 47 - 49 Arak Road, Tambon Pak Nam Pho,
Tel: 0 5621 3838

Daowadueng Restaurant (สวนอาหารดาวดึงส์) (Wat Khiriwong),
Tel: 08 6939 9001



Sawan Park

Sai Ping Restaurant (สวนอาหารสายปิง) 26/2 Kosi Nuea Road, Tambon Wat Sai, Tel: 0 5680 2145

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NAKHON SAWAN CITY MAP



โรงแรม Hotel

- โรงแรมเอ็น.เอส.ซี. N S C Hotel
- โรงแรมเบเวอร์ลี่ ฮิลล์ ปาร์ค Beverly Hills Park Hotel
- โรงแรมวิษณุอินน์ Wisanu Inn Hotel
- โรงแรมสตาร์อินน์ Star Inn Hotel
- โรงแรมพิมาน Pimarn Hotel
- โรงแรมวัชรระ Watchara Hotel
- โรงแรมเป็นหนึ่ง Pen Nueng Hotel
- โรงแรมอนิแดด Anodat Hotel

วัด Temple (Wat)

- วัดสุวรรณคีรี (เขาขาด) Wat Suwankiri (Khao Khat)
- วัดพระบางมงคล Wat Phrabangmongkhoh
- วัดไทรใต้ Wat Sai Tai
- วัดพุทธมงคลนิมิต Wat Buddhamongkolnimit
- วัดวรนาถบรรพต หรือ เขากบ
Wat Woranat Banphot or Khao Kop
- วัดทองคีรีศรีสิทธิวราราม Wat Chongkhiri Sisitthi Wararam
- วัดนครสวรรค์ หรือ วัดหัวเมือง
Wat Nakhon Sawan or Wat Hua Mueang
- วัดพรหมจริยवास Wat Promcharyawat
- วัดสุคตวราราม Wat Sukhot Wararam
- วัดจอมคีรีนาคพรต หรือ วัดเขา
Wat Chom Khiri Nak Phrot or Wat Khao
- วัดปากน้ำโพเหนือ Wat Pak Nam Pho Nuea

โรงพยาบาล Hospital

- โรงพยาบาลรัตนเวช Ratanavej Hospital
- โรงพยาบาลสวรรคตประชารักษ์ Sawanpracharak Hospital
- โรงพยาบาลศรีสวรรค์ Srisawan Hospital
- โรงพยาบาลรมชัตร์ Romchat Hospital
- โรงพยาบาลรวมแพทย์ Ruamphat Hospital
- โรงพยาบาลปากน้ำโพ Paknampo Hospital
- โรงพยาบาลแม่และเด็ก เขต 6 นครสวรรค์
Nakhon Sawan Area 6 Mother and Child Hospital
- โรงพยาบาลค่ายจิระประวัติ Chiraprawat Camp Hospital

สถานที่สำคัญ Place of Interest

- มหาวิทยาลัยสุโขทัยธรรมาธิราช
Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University
- สำนักงานเทศบาลนครนครสวรรค์ Nakhon Sawan Municipality Office
- สนามกีฬากลางจังหวัดนครสวรรค์ Nakhon Sawan Stadium
- วิทยาลัยเทคนิคนครสวรรค์ Nakhon Sawan Technical College
- เรือนจำจังหวัดนครสวรรค์ Nakhon Sawan Prison
- ศาลจังหวัดนครสวรรค์ Nakhon Sawan Law Court
- มหาวิทยาลัยราชภัฏนครสวรรค์ Nakhon Sawan Rajabhat University

★ สถานที่ท่องเที่ยว Tourist Attraction

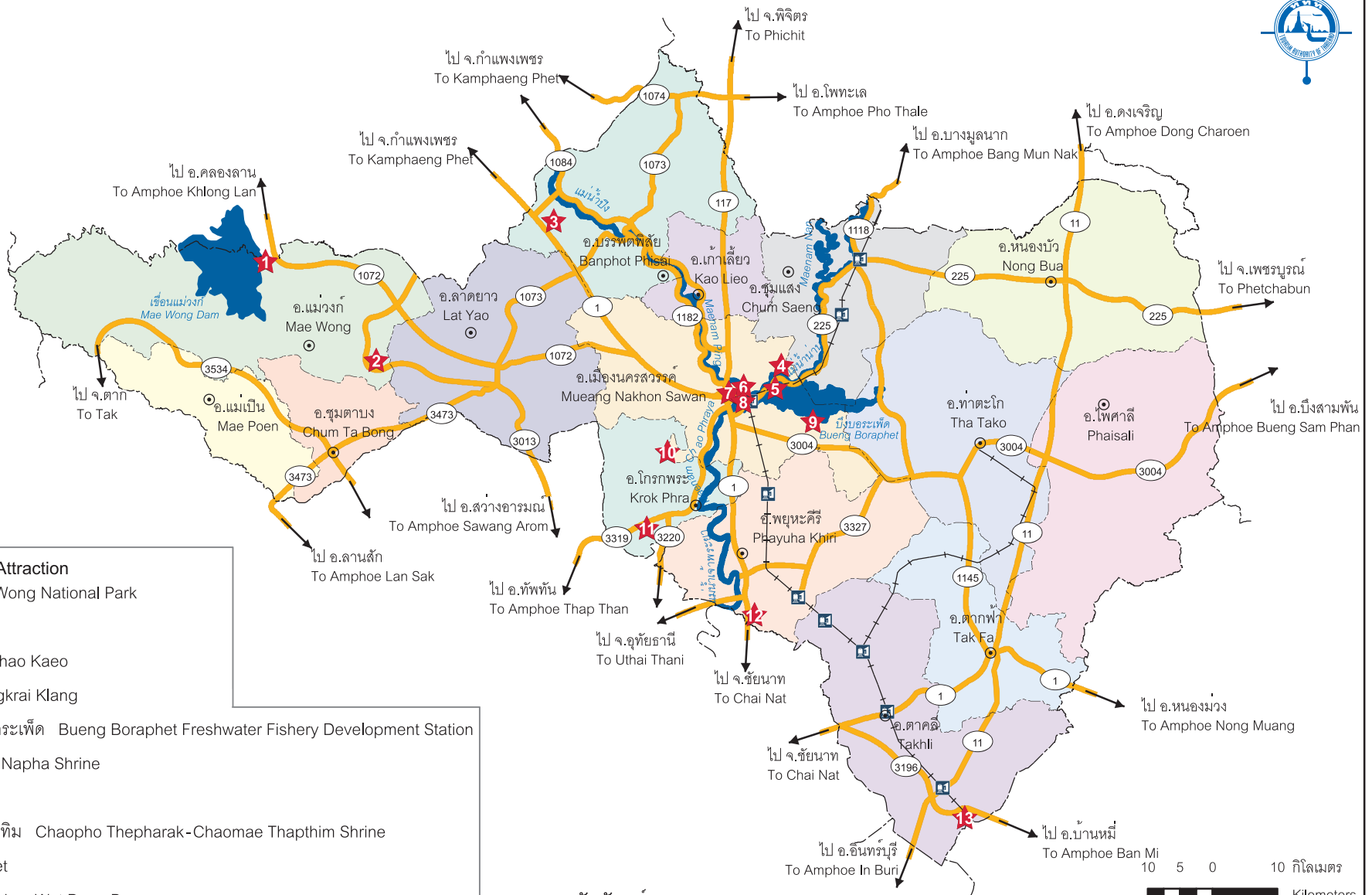
- อุทยานสวรรค์ Sawan Park
- หอวัฒนธรรมจังหวัดนครสวรรค์ Nakhon Sawan Cultural Hall

สัญลักษณ์ Legend

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| | ศาลากลางจังหวัด City Hall |
| | โรงเรียน School |
| | สถานีขนส่ง Bus Terminal |
| | สถานีตำรวจ Police Station |
| | ถนน Road |
| | แหล่งน้ำ, แม่น้ำ Stream, River |



แผนที่ท่องเที่ยวจังหวัดนครสวรรค์ NAKHON SAWAN TOURIST MAP



สถานที่ท่องเที่ยว , Tourist Attraction

- 1 อุทยานแห่งชาติแม่วงก์ Mae Wong National Park
- 2 หุบหินเทิน Thung Hin Thoen
- 3 เขาน้อย-เขาแก้ว Khao No-Khao Kaeo
- 4 วัดเกรียงไกรกลาง Wat Kriangkrai Klang
- 5 สถานีพัฒนาประมงน้ำจืดบึงบอระเพ็ด Bueng Boraphet Freshwater Fishery Development Station
- 6 ศาลเจ้าแม่หน้าผา Chaomae Napha Shrine
- 7 วัดคีรีวงศ์ Wat Kiriwong
- 8 ศาลเจ้าพ่อเทพารักษ์-เจ้าแม่ทับทิม Chaopho Thepharak-Chaomae Thapthim Shrine
- 9 บึงบอระเพ็ด Bueng Boraphet
- 10 ตลาดน้ำวัดบางพระมุง Talat Nam Wat Bang Pramung
- 11 ฟาร์มนกกระจกเทศ นครสวรรค์ Nakhon Sawan Ostrich Farm
- 12 เมืองโบราณโคกไม้เดน Mueang Boran Khok Mai Den
- 13 เมืองโบราณจันเสน และพิพิธภัณฑ์จันเสน Chansen Ancient City and Chansen Museum

สัญลักษณ์ Legend

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|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| ● อำเภอ | Amphoe (District) | —+— ทางรถไฟ | Railway |
| ★ สถานที่ท่องเที่ยว | Tourist Attraction | —○— ทางหลวง | Highway |
| 🚂 สถานีรถไฟ | Railway Station | --- เส้นขอบเขตจังหวัด | Province Boundary |
| 🌊 แหล่งน้ำ, แม่น้ำ | Stream, River | --- เส้นขอบเขตอำเภอ | District Boundary |



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